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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Mr. David Waddell, Executive Secretary Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Re: Tariff to Introduce CCS7 Access Arrangement Service

Docket No. 01-00440

Dear Mr. Waddell:

On June 14th, several petitions to intervene were filed in connection with this proposed tariff. On June 15th, you sent a letter to me requesting a written response from BellSouth to the petitions for intervention by 2:00 p.m., Thursday, June 21, 2001. The petitioners raise a number of issues in support of their request that the proposed tariff be suspended.

Pursuant to Authority Rule 1220-1-2-.03, which provides that a respondent shall serve on the petitioner and file with the Authority a responsive pleading within 30 days after the service of the complaint or initial petition, BellSouth requests that it be allowed until July 16th to file its responsive pleading. BellSouth notes that the proposed tariff is not on the Authority's Conference Agenda for June 26, 2001.

Very truly yours,

Βύγ Μ. Hicks

GMH/jej

cc: Parties of Record

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on June 19, 2001, a copy of the foregoing document was served on the following parties, via the method indicated:

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